

(Washington, D.C.) – Today, Congressman Rodriguez voted for the Fiscal Year 2010 Consolidated Appropriations bill which includes six appropriations bills including: Transportation-HUD, Labor HHS, Commerce-Justice Science, Military Construction- Veterans Affairs, Financial Services and State and Foreign Operations. The bill included over \$15.7 million in funding sought by Congressman Ciro D. Rodriguez (TX-23).

“As a member of the Appropriations Committee I worked to ensure these six fiscally responsible bills strengthen our economy by providing jobs through key investments in infrastructure, worker training and placement, making college more affordable, lending programs for small businesses, and honoring our commitment to our veterans,” **said Congressman Ciro D. Rodriguez.**

Specifically, Congressman Rodriguez secured funding for the following projects in West Texas:

- **\$1 Million for South Orient Railroad Rail Line Relocation and Improvement**
- **\$500,000 Alpine, TX, Airport Runway Improvement (Brewster County)**
- **\$300,000 Alpine Public Library Construction (Brewster County).** · **\$250,000 El Paso County Sheriffs’ Office Border Crime Enhancements (El Paso County)**
- **\$250,000 Rio Grande Council of Governments, Visual Intelligence Tool**
- **\$200,000 Upper Rio Grande Workforce Solutions El Paso for its Rural Initiatives Program**
- **\$100,000 Fort Stockton Economic Development Corporation for Small Business Development (Pecos County)**

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The FY 2010 Omnibus Appropriations bill must still be signed by the President.

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